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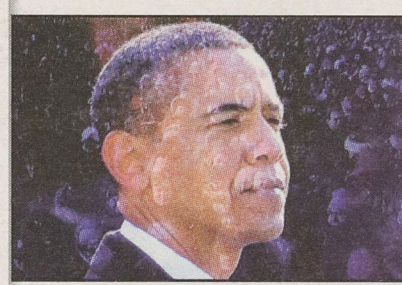
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PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA YES WE DID: NOW WHAT?



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The t-shirts, posters and slogans ran rampant. For almost a year and a half, a majority of the nation gathered

behind one man and one idea. Barack Hussein Obama has become something of a pop culture icon; he has been compared to the likes of John F. Kennedy and Martin Luther King, Jr. "Yes, we can" the crowds shouted in unison. And yes, he did. He is now our new American President and Commander-in-Chief.

On January 20, 2009, 1.8 million Americans traveled to Washington, D.C. and braved freezing winds to watch the 44th President be sworn in. He is the first African-American President of the United States...born to a white woman from Kansas and a black man from Kenya. To a certain degree, we know more about him than we do some of our own relatives. But, what do we really know about him?

Now, the time has come for the hype to die down and the politics of the man to come into play. The President has built a platform of "change." He will now have to back up the words spoken during those hard fought days of campaigning. Our new President has only been in office for a few days, but he has already acted on several of the towers of change that he stood upon.

President Obama quickly selected his cabinet, choosing to surround himself with former opponents and supporters. His cabinet currently consists of:

- Secretary Of State, Hillary Clinton
- Treasury Secretary, Timothy Geithner
- Energy Secretary, Steven Chu
- Education Secretary, Arne Duncan
- Homeland Security Secretary, Janet Napolitano
- Budget Director, Peter Orszag
- Interior Secretary, Ken Salazar
- Veterans Affairs Secretary, Eric Shinseki
- Agriculture Secretary, Tom Vilsack.

One of the first things President Obama did after taking the oath of office was to put a stop to all outstanding and pending action on

the agenda of outgoing President George W. Bush. He then proceeded to meet with military advisors to begin plans to reduce the number of U.S. troops in Iraq and increase the number of troops in Afghanistan.

President Obama also ordered prosecutors to request a 120-day suspension during a review of the system used to try suspected terrorists in the Guantanamo War crimes trials. He has also initiated plans to tighten fuel efficiency and emissions standards for many states in an effort to improve environmental issues.

Two actions that the newly inaugurated President has taken have stirred up more controversy than anything else: reversal of the "Gag Rule" for abortions and his stimulus package plans. President Obama's policy towards abortion rights bans U.S. taxpayer money, usually in the form of U.S. Agency for International Development funds, from going to international family planning groups that either offer abortions or provide information, counseling or referrals about abortion. It is also known as the "Global Gag Rule," because it prohibits taxpayer funding for groups that even talk about abortion if there is an unplanned pregnancy. President Obama formally reversed this ban. The move is welcomed by liberals and criticized by abortion rights foes.

His new stimulus plan is expected to cost taxpayers approximately one trillion dollars. It has been met with considerable opposition from its inception. The GOP has accused President Obama's plan of being fiscally irresponsible and lacking in sound planning. "We expressed our concern about some of the spending that is being proposed in the House bill...we're borrowing this money from our kids," said House Minority Leader John Boehner, R-Ohio. Obama's plan also includes several plans to improve America's infrastructure and education standards.

Only time will tell if these decisive and swiftly enacted policies will be the beginning of the reign of one of our greatest Presidents, the disastrous machinations of one of our worst, or simply the plans of a mediocre Commander-in-Chief. A change is definitely upon us. Let's hope the nation and our new leader is up for the task.

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MISSION STATEMENT

As a student run publication, our goal is to entertain, educate and inform the campus, while also providing an opportunity for students to develop and enhance their journalistic skills, both in print and on-line. We strive to promote balanced reporting, while offering a platform for students to share their opinions and concerns with the entire student body. Establishing and maintaining positive relationships with the entire campus community is vital to this process, therefore we have also made it our practice to network not only with the students, but with everyone contributing to the campus, to ensure responsible representation. We offer this to the University and its students in an effort to promote involvement with and awareness of the campus media as a whole.

Get Bent

The Bent Tree Vent

We want to know what get's YOU bent! Send your comments and vents to: Vent@thebentree.org

The views expressed below are not necessarily those of The Bent Tree and we accept no responsibility for the views or opinions expressed below, either directly or indirectly.

THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT

I don't think the President of the Student Government is working for the students. What has the Student done for the students lately. What exactly do they do anyway?
- Political Watcher

FEES

No more hidden fees! It seems like every semester we get charged for something extra. Like the \$75 the Regents charged because of their budget cut. What exactly did we get charged for? What service? What product? We pay too much not to get free scantrons.
- Money Manager

HEALTH SERVICES

The clinic should give out Trojan condoms: Durex and Lifestyle are unreliable. If our safety is such a priority then we should be able to get the safest product out there, not the cheapest.
- Better Safe than Sorry

CAMPUS SECURITY

I think the school should make a better effort regarding security around campus. The parking lots are very dark at night and early in the morning. I do not feel secure when I park.
- Insecure

Campus Security is not good; Laker Hall is about to implode. I feel very uneasy there. We need a proper security guard.
- Uneasy Resident

DINING

Healthier Foods! Not Pizza Hut! Thank you for the breakfast menu, but we really do need healthier to-go items.
- Health Nut

Can you say Chik-fil-A? We need more vendors on campus. I would like more choices when I want something to eat.
- Variety

I blinked and the SAC cafe disappeared. If I click my heels will the game room leave next? I liked having access to the microwave without having to trek across the lake. What is being put in its place? Vending machines with junk food? Right next door to the Fitness Center?
- Starving in the SAC

GREEK LIFE

Why is it that apart from CEC; Greeks do the most events on campus, but are treated like the underdogs? Why aren't the Greeks allowed to "stomp on the yard" and why aren't they allowed to have probates on campus?
- Underdog

TAKE MY ADVICE

by Sade' Price

I am an older student, and sometimes feel uncomfortable with the other students in my class. It feels like I will never graduate. I am a bit discouraged because I work full time and go to school full time, it is a bit overwhelming.

- Overwhelmed

Dear Overwhelmed,

You should not feel uncomfortable around your younger classmates. Many of them probably look at you as a role model. I think that it is really great that you are able to work and to go to school full time. This shows dedication and commitment. You will graduate and you will feel great that you accomplished a great part of life. Hold your head up and keep reminding yourself that you will come out on top!

I am very involved in some campus groups, yet I feel sort of aimless. I don't get anything of importance done and am very worried I am wasting my time.

- Aimless

Dear Aimless,

I believe you should look for groups where you can get things done. Have you thought of joining the Campus Events Council or the Habitat for Humanity group? These organizations can offer you a chance to be involved in representing yourself and your fellow students. You might also consider joining the Student Government or even the student newspaper.

It worries me that my hectic lifestyle is messing with my health, I am tired all the time and have no energy, and I depend on coffee and energy drinks to function. Someone said that I could get diabetes from doing that; it runs in my family, is that true?

- Fast Lane

Dear Fastlane,

It's time to slow down. Coffee and energy drinks are not beneficial to your health. Too much caffeine interrupts your daily body functions. It revs your heart up and can be very dangerous. Energy drinks give you a quick high and then let you crash later. Though you might have a hectic lifestyle, you need to make changes and make them quickly. Diabetes is hereditary; it is a very good idea to get tested, your hectic lifestyle combined with poor eating habits and caffeine dependence can increase your chances of developing diabetes.

My wish is to connect with other people but I feel that an age gap leaves me uniformed of the way to better communicate with the younger generation.

- Ineffective Communicator

Dear Ineffective Communicator,

First order of business; stop referring to yourself as ineffective. Communication is an integral part of life. You should not let your age keep you from connecting with other people. The way to better communicate with them is to just tell them how you feel. If you do not understand something that is said, it's ok to just ask them to explain things so that you can get a better understanding.

I can't make up my mind what I want to do with my life and have changed my major 3 times. I've spoken to friends who have their entire academic life planned out to fulfill a certain goal and I feel lost.

- Lost

Dear Lost,

You should choose a major that interests you. If you are doing something that you enjoy, the chances are you will be more inclined to stick with it. I think that it is a great idea for you to have your academic life planned out, but sometimes you need a little extra help. The Office of Career Services is a great resource. Do not worry that your friends have already planned their lives. Everyone is different.

I just lost my job. My company closed and now I have to depend on student loans and grants. I'm afraid to take on too much and put myself farther into debt. I don't want to move back home because it's a horrible environment for me. I just want to survive.

- Survivor

Dear Survivor,

Don't put too much on yourself. Work at a pace that is comfortable for you. If you are very worried about how much loans to accept there are money management workshops available at the school that can be helpful. It is a workable idea to accept the aid until you get another job. But if you're worried about getting into debt, you should make it your priority to obtain another job.

I was working a dead end job, but I recently came back to school to do something better with my life. I love majoring in Art but I'm worried that with the way the economy is that I might not be able to support myself with it.

- The Starving Artist

Dear Starving Artist,

I understand why you would be worried and it is actually a good thing that you are planning ahead. Majoring in something you enjoy is a great idea, but your question is will it pay the bills when you graduate? You should consider having a backup plan. I am currently majoring in something that will make me happy and minoring in something that will pay my bills. Find something that will be profitable in a worst case scenario and become proficient. Plan for Art to make you happy and plan a backup to keep you fed.

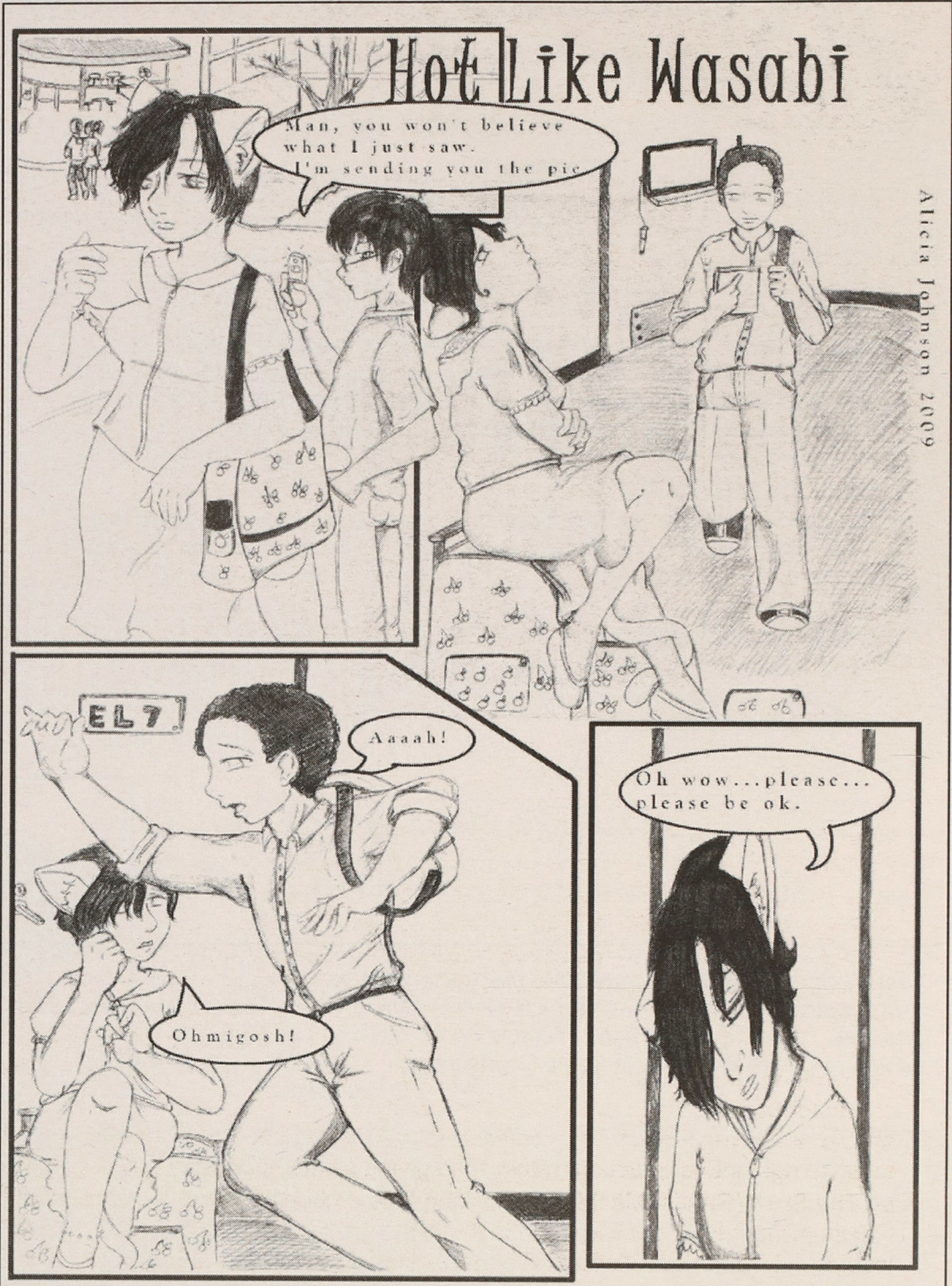
I work as a consultant and I have not been getting many clients, lately. I'm worried that I will get laid off. I started looking for other jobs when my manager told me it could happen. I need a job very much. It pays my rent and also helps to pay some of my tuition, since I'm in a Masters program.

- Hyperventilating

Dear Hyperventilating,

Take deep breaths. You're giving yourself heart failure. The situation may not be as bad as you think it is. Sit down and talk to your manager about your situation and ask him/her if there is anything you can do to change it. They might be able to help you figure out why you're not getting clients and how to go about fixing it. They might also consider keeping you on part time until things pick up or they may refer you to other employers.

CARTOONS



Alicia Johnson 2009

STUDY ABROAD



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FEBRUARY 2009

AQUARIUS **JAN 20-FEB 18**
Happy Birthday to you, Aquarius. This is definitely your month. Although you might have been feeling stressed at the end of January, the tide will soon turn in your favor later this month. Look for inspiration and motivation where you least expect to find it. Be careful not to let self-doubt get in the way of your success. The rewards will be great for you this month.

PISCES **FEB 19-MAR 20**
Too much self reflection this month could be detrimental to you achieving your current goals. Although it is important to look inside yourself for the answers to many of the questions that are lingering, be sure to look to others for advice and more importantly for support. It is o.k. to ask for help. Everybody needs somebody, sometimes.

ARIES **Mar 21-Apr 19**
This month, you may feel as though you are being pulled in many directions. Don't let this confuse you. Take time to look at the larger picture and prioritize your life. You are up for new challenges that will present themselves to you this month, but be sure to evaluate what is necessary and what is not. Don't let anyone set you up for failure by convincing you to "bite of more than you can chew."

TAURUS **Apr 20-May 20**
All of your hard work and dedication seem to be paying off this month. But, be careful not to let your personal life suffer. It is wonderful to be focused on your own success, but those around you may be feeling a bit neglected. Be sure to make time for not only the important things, but also the important people who have been there to support you along the way. Strive for balance at home, as well as work.

GEMINI **May 21-Jun 21**
Finding balance in your life this month will be easier than it has been for you in a while. Congratulate yourself on your accomplishments, even if others don't. Don't let them dissuade you from reaching higher and farther. Be confident. You might be surprised to find that success is closer than you think.

CANCER **Jun 22-Jul 22**
This month will be a time of great change for you. It is time to calm those rocky relationships that have been holding you back. This does not necessarily mean you have to end them, it just means that you need to reestablish your boundaries. Reevaluate your goals. Prioritize what and who are most important in your life. Look within yourself and you will surely shine.

LEO **Jul 23-Aug 22**
This is your month is yours for the taking. Opportunities abound for you at home and at school. Don't become overwhelmed. Be thankful for what you have and for what this month has to offer you. Remember, you don't have to do it alone. Be sure to give credit where credit is due and don't forget to thank those who have helped you along the way.

VIRGO **Aug 23-Sep 22**
You are finally finding your way in life and you are doing it on your own. Helping others has always benefited you and it will continue to do so, but remember not to neglect yourself this month. Accept the rewards that come with the services you have provided and learn how to use this gift to your advantage. This will help you greatly in the tasks that are in store for you later in the month.

LIBRA **Sep 23-Oct 22**
It is time for you to break from the past and focus on the future. Stop being afraid of change and embrace it instead. You will have wonderful opportunities to further yourself this month, but you can only succeed if you are up for the task. Don't be afraid to fail. Brush yourself off and keep moving. The future is bright for those willing to experience it.

SCORPIO **Oct 23-Nov 21**
Stop searching for answers in all the wrong places. You have been over thinking things and this has only made matters worse. Take some time out to refocus your energy. Surround yourself with family and friends, with "positivity" instead of negativity. The answers you are seeking will find you when you least expect it.

SAGITTARIUS **Nov 22-Dec 21**
You might have a tendency to become overwhelmed this month, but finding your stride is easier than it appears. Pace yourself. It is important to find balance at school and at home, but do not over commit yourself. Don't be afraid to say, "No." Acknowledge your limitations and take on only those things that have the highest priority in your life. Stop trying to please everybody all of the time.

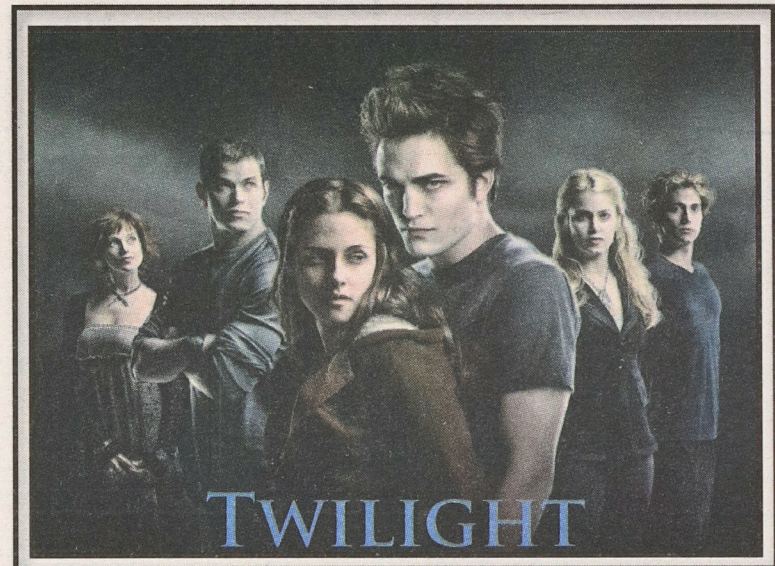
CAPRICORN **Dec 22-Jan 19**
Free yourself this month. Stop avoiding conflict and deal with it. There will never be a "perfect" time to address the matters at hand. Nobody's perfect. Acknowledge the truth of the matter. The answers you are seeking are staring you in your face. Stop hiding from them. You will find that resolving these issues will not be as difficult as you think and the rewards for you will be great.



MOVIE REVIEWS

BY B. THOMAS

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IN A WORD... "AWKWARD"

The Spirit is everything that a good comic book movie is supposed to be...except good. I don't understand it. Where could they have gone wrong? It couldn't have been the casting, boasting stars the likes of Jaime King, Eva Mendes, Samuel L. Jackson, Scarlett Johansson and Sarah Paulson. It couldn't have been the screenplay which was written by Frank Miller of Sin City and 300 fame. Perhaps, it was Will Eisner's story...impossible; the "Oscar" of the comic book industry is named in the man's honor (The Will Eisner Award).

So, what was it? For one thing, The Spirit is not a well-known character compared to say Spider-man or Superman. This fact should not have eluded screenwriter/director Frank Miller, who opted to delve right into the "action" rather than giving a little back story on The Spirit (Gabriel Macht) or a his long time archenemy The Octopus (Samuel L. Jackson). In fact, until clues that his long lost love, Sand Saref (Eva Mendes), has returned to Central City surface, the audience has no idea who The Spirit is. All that is conveyed to the audience prior to this point is that The Spirit treats "his" city like a woman; women like tissues; and his body like a target at a gun range.

The audience ultimately discovers that The Octopus is a genius/madman that has created a serum that will allow him to live forever. He tests it on The Spirit (inadvertently creating his own nemesis). The dialogue that made Sin City so very cool seems forced and overdone in this film. In fact, this movie would have been a total loss if not for the antics of Jackson (who appeared in a full Nazi uniform and actually makes it look cool) and a scantily clad Eva Mendes. Other than that, a couple of interesting shot choices are about all that's worth mentioning about this film. If you still feel the need to give this one a watch, my advice is to wait until it comes to cable.

I should start off by warning you that I have never read any of the books in the Twilight series, nor am I a 14 year old girl. With that said, on to the review of the most awkward movie I have ever seen. Set primarily in Seattle, Twilight covers the budding relationship of Bella Swan, newly transplanted from Arizona played by Kristen Stewart, and Edward Cullen, a century old vampire played by Robert Pattinson. The camerawork throughout the film ranges from shots that clumsily track around the characters in near-nauseating intervals to intrusive, claustrophobia inducing close-ups. The director may have thought that the close-ups allowed us to experience the story in a more personal way, but in some cases it feels like the audience is boxed in and can not escape.

The dialogue seems vaguely reminiscent of some angst ridden 80's movie, and is often paired with ridiculous lines like, "And what do I eat...?" You are a vampire, Edward... anyone that knows anything about pop culture knows what vampires eat. He then follows this with the exclamation, "This is me...this is what I really am" as he stands atop a mountain glittering (not bursting into flames) in the sunlight. There is something a little unsettling about the idea of glittery vampires, don't you think?

The acting was hit-and-miss, at best. Edward seamlessly maneuvers between a cool, mysterious heartthrob to a creepy stalker. This may make young girls' knees buckle, but in reality it makes most women a bit uneasy. The stuttering, stammering apprehensive shtick of Stewart seems cute and endearing in the beginning, but before long I found myself yelling for him to just spit it out already. The instances of "chemistry" between Stewart and Cullen varied from almost palpable to nauseatingly uneasy. At several points in the movie, this proved an effective tool for establishing the uneasiness that they both felt at approaching their attraction to one another. At other times, it just made you want to walk out of the theater. Overall, I could see how this could have been a really good movie, but I advise anyone reading this to stick to the book...it couldn't be any worse than this movie.

VIETNAMESE STUDENT ASSOCIATION

The **Vietnamese Student Association** is an organization dedicated to increasing cultural awareness and diversity on campus and in the community. We continue to strive to create a supportive and cooperative community for those of Vietnamese and non-Vietnamese descent. Through numerous activities focusing on the celebration and exposure of Vietnamese culture, **VSA** hopes to provide the necessary interaction between those of different backgrounds to build cross-cultural bridges. A dynamic and open organization, **VSA** prides itself on its diverse and unified membership, and persistent dedication to decreasing cultural

tension on campus.

This year, **VSA's** main focus is to give back to those who are less fortunate in Vietnam; therefore, Clayton State University's **Vietnamese Student Association** recently hosted a Charity Dinner that showcased the elegance and splendor of the Vietnamese culture. This year's philanthropy project is the Cataract Foundation, which focuses to help elderly people regain their vision by sponsoring some of the major cataract operations in rural areas of Vietnam. The funds raised from the Charity Dinner will aid in the employment

of doctors and nurses, as well as attaining the necessary technology needed for such operations.

The event was new year-based, and featured exquisite dances, singing performances, live and video skits, and a post-performance ball dance for attendees. Food was served to present a taste of some of the most traditional Vietnamese dishes.

Please contact **Maria Camila Morales** at (404)453-2152 for more information about **VSA**.

The **Gay Straight Alliance**, Clayton State University Chapter, is a Student Led organization whose goal is to create a safe haven for students to support each other whether they are Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender or Straight / Allies. The organization is committed to combating discrimination, harassment and violence in our schools. We also volunteer our time to help increase awareness to our community and schools about all forms of discrimination and to help educate our community about STD's, HIV and AIDS.

The **Gay-Straight Alliance (GSA)** at Clayton State University would like to announce their Vision for Spring Semester 2009. This Semester the **GSA** will be presenting a series of events that will promote and focus on Safety.

They will be hosting several speakers in their Safety Speakers Series to be held throughout the semester, as well as introducing a new "Safe Zones" program at the Clayton State Campus. Please keep a look out for the various events and Safe Zones coming soon from the **Gay-Straight Alliance** at Clayton State University.

The **Gay-Straight Alliance** meets during the Activity Period the first and third Tuesday's of every month. Meeting details will be posted on their website www.studentorg.clayton.edu/gssa. Visitors are always welcome and memberships are still available. Please check the website or join the group on the SWAN or facebook for our upcoming events and promotions.



Please feel free to contact them at gaystraightalliance@clayton.edu for more information.

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Do YOU KNOW YOUR STATUS?

by Davidia Grant

December is HIV/AIDS awareness month. Although December has come and gone, there is no reason to let your guard down now. Did you know that Georgia ranks 8th highest in the nation in number of reported AIDS cases? In 2007, the number of persons living with HIV/AIDS in Georgia was 33,599. Most of these people reside in the Atlanta Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) which includes Clayton, Cobb, DeKalb, Gwinnett, and Fulton counties. Seventy-

eight percent of these cases were among African Americans.

These statistics come from Georgia's HIV/AIDS Epidemiology Team. A group that is responsible for collecting HIV/AIDS surveillance data and for monitoring the epidemic in Georgia. Georgia has been collecting AIDS case reports since the early 1980s. The team continues to research HIV/AIDS to minimize infection by educating the community. There are also various organizations whose mission is to educate and bring awareness to the community.

AID Atlanta is an organization that aims to promote HIV/AIDS awareness. Their mission is to provide a broad, compassionate response to the HIV epidemic through education, service, and advocacy. AID Atlanta provides educational programs throughout the community. AIDS 101 Awareness and

Action Seminar is ideal for anyone seeking facts on HIV. Educate yourself about HIV/AIDS and know your status. Don't wait until HIV/AIDS awareness month to get involved.

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CSU Offers Tuition Tension Relief

Students take advantage of Guaranteed Tuition Plan

by Robert Abrom

Students at Clayton State University no longer have to worry about an increase in their tuition.

The Board of Regents has implemented the Guaranteed Tuition plan which eliminates any tuition increases for four years or 12 successive semesters. This plan allows students to anticipate the cost of attendance while keeping tuition affordable.

With tuition costs increasing every year, students have to make adjustments and plan accordingly. Figures released by the College Board report that the in-state tuition at four-year colleges across the country

rose 6.6 percent this year. That figure is slightly larger than the figures that were reported in 2007.

"With the cost of food and gas rising, the tuition plan helps keep our expenses low as students," said Clayton State student Charles Langevin. "It is a relief to not worry about my tuition going through the roof."

The Guaranteed Tuition Plan was introduced during the fall semester of 2006 and promises that a student's tuition will not change for the next four years after their initial enrollment. For example, if a student plans to enroll at Clayton State University for the fall semester of 2009, his or her tuition will not change until after the summer of 2013.

If a student decides to take a semester off from school, the guaranteed tuition timeline does not stop. Thus, in order to take full advantage of this plan your degree must be completed within four years of your initial enrollment. Emphasis is placed on students completing their program of study in a timely manner in order to avoid a significant increase in tuition.

With the Guaranteed Tuition Plan, students and parents can rest at ease about rising tuition fees. The tuition plan allows students to keep academics a priority while creating an awareness of time management and the importance of staying focused.

The Writers' Studio:

A Haven of Help

By Shehnaz Haqqani

Many Clayton State Students don't know about the Writers' Studio, located in the Arts & Science Building in room 224. Here, all students have the benefit of having their papers reviewed by peer tutors. These tutors have taken a writing course with Dr. Rashid Horn and are trained to tutor other students in writing. Whether a student needs help on how to start, continue, or finish a paper—from brainstorming to proofreading strategies, he/she is guaranteed help from the several tutors of the Writer's Studio

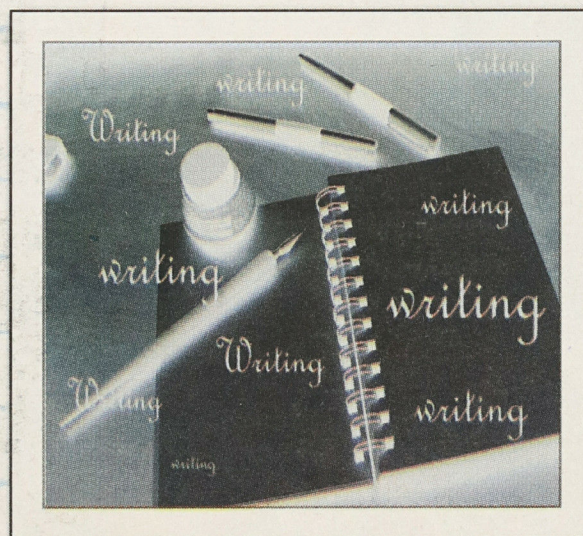
Sharieka Bryan, a senior, says of the Writers' Studio, "I got exactly what I wanted. It was extremely helpful. I just needed help with the

introduction and with lengthening my paper, and I got that. I would recommend this place to everyone, and I'm definitely coming back."

Edith Patta, a freshman, said "My professor recommended this place to me, so I came in for help with writing a research paper. I needed help in developing ideas, in brainstorming. It was very helpful, and I got a lot of information and learned so much. The tutor was very knowledgeable and taught me a lot." She also said something that a lot of students do not know, "This experience dismissed some of the myths that I heard about the Writers' Studio. I thought they only helped you with English papers, but in reality, they help you with papers in all subjects."

The Writers' Studio's goal is to reach out to all of Clayton State students, regardless of their major or classification, in order to help them better their writing skills. So, if your compositions are lacking, what are you waiting for? Drop by the Writers' Studio to discover some hidden talent of yours!

The Writers' Studio is located in the Arts & Sciences Building in Room 224. Tutors are available Monday - Thursday from 10:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. and on Friday from 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.



many people have found the Writers Studio to be a really helpful place. Make it a point to stop by today!

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FEBRUARY
CSU CALENDAR OF EVENTS


SPONSORING UNITS: CL - CAMPUS LIFE; CEC - CAMPUS EVENTS COUNCIL; CS - CAREER SERVICES; IS - INTRAMURAL SPORTS

- 10 [CS] Achieving Career Excellence: The Job Search - UC262, 11:30am - 12:30pm
[CS] Achieving Career Excellence: The Job Search - UC268, 5:15pm - 6:15pm

[CEC] Build-A-Bear - UC Main Street, 11am - 3pm
[CEC] Valentine's Pillows - UC Main Street, 4pm - 8pm
[CEC] Speed Dating - SAC Ballroom, 7:30pm
- 11 [CEC] Poetic License: Love Edition - SAC Cafe', 7:30pm - 9:30pm
- 12 [CEC] Relationships 101 - UC272, 11:30am - 12:30pm
[CS] Achieving Career Excellence: The Job Search - UC262, 11:30am - 12:30pm
[CEC] Dinner and a Movie: *P.S. I Love You* - SAC Ballroom, Dinner @ 7pm, Movie @ 9pm
- 16 [IS] 7 vs 7 Soccer Registration - Playing Days: Tues & Thurs Division: Men's & Co-Rec
[IS] Softball Registration - Playing Days: Tues & Thurs Division: Men's & Co-Rec
[IS] Registration for Skating Party at Starlite Skating Ctr ends - event Feb 27th
- 17 [CS] Achieving Career Excellence: The Interview - UC262, 11:30am - 12:30pm
[CS] Achieving Career Excellence: The Interview - UC268, 5:15pm - 6:15pm
[CL] From G's to Gents Real Talk Session - SAC Ballroom C, 7pm - 9pm
- 18 [CEC/CL] What does Obama mean For Our Culture, For Our Politics, For Our Future?
Speaker: Jabari Asim - SAC Ballroom, 7pm
- 19 [CS] Achieving Career Excellence: The Interview - UC262, 11:30am - 12:30pm
[CL] Freedom Writer - UC267, 11:30am
[CEC/CL] Declare Yourself Voter Registration - UC Main Street, 11:30am - 12:30pm
[CEC/CL] Black History Month Movie Series: *School Daze* - SAC Ballroom, 7:30pm
- 22 [CL] Annual Gospel Explosion - SAC Ballroom, 5pm
- 24 [CS] Achieving Career Excellence: The Career Fair - UC262, 11:30am - 12:30pm
[CS] Achieving Career Excellence: The Career Fair - UC268, 5:15pm - 6:15pm
[IS] Registration - NIRSA Sports and Fitness Day SAC Fitness Center
- 25 [CEC/CL] Light-Skinned vs Dark-Skinned - SAC Ballroom, 7pm
[CS] Practice Interview Day - Career Services, ALL DAY
- 26 [CEC/CL] The History of Black Fashion - SAC Ballroom, 7pm
[CS] Achieving Career Excellence: The Career Fair - UC262, 11:30am - 12:30pm
- 27 [IS] Skating Party at Starlite Skating Ctr (\$8/person includes entry, skate rental, pizza, and soda)
- 28 [CL] The Family Reunion - SAC Green, 3pm - 6pm (Inclement Weather Location: SAC Ballroom)



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